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## Albuquerque Resident Indicted for Tax Evasion

**Albuquerque, N.M.** – The Taxation and Revenue Department announced today that a male resident of Albuquerque has been indicted for tax fraud. Larry Hamner (41), will be charged with fifteen fourth degree felony counts for attempting to evade or defeat tax. The charges follow an investigation by the Tax Fraud Investigations Division of the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department.

If convicted, the maximum sentence for the fifteen (15) felony counts is up to twenty-two and a half years imprisonment and \$75,000 in fines. Each fourth-degree felony carries a basic sentence of eighteen (18) months imprisonment and not more than a \$5,000 fine.

"The diligence of the Tax Fraud Investigations Division continues to reveal individuals who attempt to cheat the system," said John Monforte, Acting Cabinet Secretary for the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department. "This Department does not tolerate willful ignorance of the law and will continue to find and prosecute those who attempt to take advantage of the system as well as their fellow citizens."

This case was investigated by the Tax Fraud Investigations Division of the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department. The case is being prosecuted by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Attorney's Office in Albuquerque, NM. To report tax fraud against the State of New Mexico, call the Tax Fraud Hotline at 1-866-457-6789 or e-mail tax.fraud@state.nm.us.